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by the inhabitants of Vedakkangara and Kuruva amsams of Walluvanad taluk requesting for the opening of a rural dispensary at Makkaraparamba ; and

(b) if so, what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) The District Medical Officer, Malabar, received the memorandum and forwarded it to the President, District Board, Malabar, recommending the opening of a regular local fund dispensary at the place.

" (b) If and when proposals are received from the Malabar District Board the Government will take necessary action in the matter."

Deepening of the channel and tank from Madur-Melakkar Dam

* 1242 Q.—SRI V. ARUMUGHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether the Government have given any instructions to deepen the channel and the tank from the Madur-Melakkar Dam to Vellur kasba?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" No."

Veterinary and Livestock Inspectors' Course

* 1243 Q.—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the sanctioned strength for admission to the Veterinary and Livestock Inspectors' Course for the year 1953–54 in the Madras Veterinary College;

(b) whether any seats were reserved for Harijan candidates; and

(c) how many of them were availed of?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) The Government ordered the discontinuance of the Veterinary and Livestock Inspector's Course in the Madras Veterinary College from the academic year 1953–54.

" (b) & (c) The questions do not arise."

Polling stations in South Arcot during the district board election

* 1244 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) how many polling stations were arranged in South Arcot district during the last district board election;

(b) whether there were separate booths for men and women; and

(c) if so, how many were provided for women?